# Phillips County Commissioner Meeting Minutes September 08, 2021

The board held a work session with Road and Bridge Supervisor Mike Salyards and assistant Kevin Scott prior to the meeting.

#### Call to order

Chairman Hofmeister called to order the meeting of the Phillips County Commissioners and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 9:00 A.M. on September 08, 2021 at the County Courthouse in the Commissioner's Meeting room.

#### **Attendees**

Chairman Terry Hofmeister, Commissioners Garold Roberts and Tom Timm, County Administrator Laura Schroetlin, and County Clerk Beth Zilla.

#### **Additional Attendees**

Jim Kienholz, Sara Dille, Penny Bailey, Jenn Oberle, Kayla Kafka, Darlene Carpio, Bill Andrews, Sharon Michael.

## **Additions or Corrections to the Agenda**

- 14) Wind Towers
- 15) Terry Barth, Veterans Service Officer discussion

### **Approval of Consent Agenda**

Timm made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously 3-0.

## **Consent Agenda Items:**

- a) Approval of the minutes of the BOCC 08.31.2021 meeting
- b) Approval of the AP Invoice List
- c) Acknowledgment of the receipt of the Treasurer Reports
- d) Acknowledgment of the receipt of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr. Monitoring Reports for Seaboard Foods
- e) Acknowledgment of the receipt of the current bank note balances
- f) Acknowledgement of the receipt of the Event Center rentals

## **Public Comments**

Jim Kienholz and Sara Dille visited with the board to discuss possibility for obtaining a waiver for Ag 1 to be zoned as Commercial for approximately 10 months beginning November 15. This would allow for additional housing for J and T Harvesting to house their employees. J and T Harvesting is needing housing for approximately 90 employees. This will be acted on at a special meeting set for September 10 at 8:00 am.

Penny Bailey asked the board if they would waive the rental fee for her event on Sunday October 24, 2021, for a fund raiser for the Holyoke Volunteer Fire Department. The Board agreed to waive the fees for this event.

## **Appointments**

Haxtun Chamber of Commerce Director Jenn Oberle asked for a letter of support from the board to apply for an AmeriCorps Grant to provide the community a place for meetings. The Board agreed to give a letter of Support to the Haxtun Chamber for this project.

Fair board President Kayla Kafka met with the board to recap the 2021 Phillips County Fair. They are still waiting on a refund check from the circus company. The Fair Board is requesting a guard rail on the south of the Pit area on the west side of the track.

Representative for Congressman Ken Buck, Darlene Carpio, met with the board for updates.

Bill Andrews discussed the need for a 2-axle cardboard trailer as well as advertising for a new position at the Landfill. Timm made a motion to approve the request from Landfill Manager Bill Andrews to purchase a used trailer for \$1,500 to be used for cardboard recycling. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously 3-0.

The Commissioners approved to purchase harvest snacks for the Harvest Bags.

#### **Executive Session**

Timm made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of receiving legal advice on a specific legal question under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b). Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously 3-0. The regular meeting recessed at 11:33 and reconvened at 11:55.

Chairman Hofmeister stated the participants in the executive session were: Laura Schroetlin, Tom Timm, Garold Roberts, Tammy Kelley, Cathy Harshbarger, Jimmie Bailey III and himself. Participants in the executive session were asked if they believed that any substantial discussion of any matters not included in the motion to go into executive session occurred during the executive session, or that any improper action occurred during the executive session in violation of the Open Meetings Law, to state their concerns for the record. No concerns were stated.

#### **Old Business**

## **Motions/ New Business**

Timm moved to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the subdivision exemption request submitted by Mr. and Mrs. Mark Schlachter to sell 7 acres to Broc and Heather Pelle located at NW1/4 of Section 28, Township 7N, Range 44W.

Roberts seconded. Motion carried.

Roberts moved to approve the request from Road & Bridge Manager Mike Salyards to hire Tobin Moore as a seasonal full-time road worker at the hourly rate of \$18.00, effective September 9, 2021. This position would end on October 31, 2021. Tobin will not be eligible for any benefits including sick, vacation, or holiday pay. Timm seconded. Motion carried.

Timm moved to approve the request from the Sheriff's Department to make a conditional offer of employment for the position of Deputy Sheriff Cadet to Darrell Smith, per the agreement presented. Roberts seconded. Motion carried.

# **Adjournment**

Chairman Hofmeister adjourned the meeting at 2:26 P.M.

Minutes submitted by County Clerk Beth Zilla

Next meeting is scheduled for September 20, 2021.

Phillips County Commissioners:

Attest:

Tom Timm

Sarold Roberts